## Department of Computational Science

## CMPT 429.3/CMPT 833.3

## Final Examination

## Closed Book

Marks

Time: 2 hours

December 16, 1993

15 1. Construct a context-free grammar that generates the language

 $\{a^n b^m \mid n \neq m \text{ and } n, m \geq 0\}$ 

- 2 (a) In the context of SLR(1) parsing define and explain the significance of the 15 terms viable prefix and valid item. Using an example grammar, illustrate these terms.
  - (b) Extend the definition for valid item to deal with LR(1) grammars. Define and illustrate how to compute the lookahead and closure of an LR(1) item.
- 15 3. Given the following grammar:

s' -> S#

S->aABbCDI€

 $A \rightarrow ASd \mid \epsilon$ 

B->SAcleCl∈

 $C \rightarrow Sf \mid Cg \mid \in$ 

D -> aBD | ∈

- Determine the set of nullable nonterminals. (a)
- (b) Find the FIRST and FOLLOW sets for the grammar.
- Determine if this grammar is LL(1). Explain! (c)
- 15 4. Given the following grammar:

s' -> S# 0.

S -> (AS) I (b) A -> (SaA) I (a) 1., 2.

3., 4.

- Construct the LR(0) machine for this grammar. (a)
- Is the grammar SLR(1)? Why or why not? (b) If it is give the parsing tables.

15 5. Given the following grammar:

- (a) Construct the canonical sets of items for an LR(1) machine.
- (b) Is the grammar LR(1)? Why or why not?
- 15 6. You are to <u>compare</u> LL and LR parsers. First identify suitable criteria (features) which can be used as a basis of comparison. Then using these features, compare LL and LR parsers.
- 7. What were the most significant programming language issues that were encountered in your project? Explain!